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COMBINED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(E) AND DECLARATION OF SANDRA P. THOMPSON

I, the undersigned, Sandra Poteat Thompson, hereby petition the USPTO as follows:

- 1. I am the attorney of record for Honeywell International Inc. and am an associate with the firm of Bingham McCutchen LLP. I also have a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in Chemistry with concentrations in Analytical, Organic and Environmental Chemistry from North Carolina State University.
- 2. On December 11, 2003, I mailed a copy of the above-referenced application to the United States Patent & Trademark Office having an Express Mail Post Office to Address Number of EL961071084US.
- 3. On December 31, 2003, I received the Filing Postcard from the United States Patent & Trademark Office showing deposit of the above-referenced Nonprovisional Application.
- 4. On July 8, 2004, I received a Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application from the United States Patent & Trademark Office stating that a filing date had not been accorded to the above-referenced application because the application was deposited without drawings.
- 5. I reviewed the above-referenced application and determined that drawings are not "necessary" under 35 USC §113 "for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented".
- 6. I prepared and submitted, on August 19, 2004, a Preliminary Amendment (herein attached) removing all references to Figures.

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- 7. As is obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art in the field of chemistry and organic compositions upon review of the above-referenced application, the referenced Figures are merely showing graphically what is already stated clearly in the application. For example, many of the cited Figures show chemical structures that are specifically named in the specification by their IUPAC name. Any chemist of ordinary skill in the art can read the IUPAC name of a chemical compound and readily determine its structure. In other words, those Figures are not necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented. Other cited Figures show Scanning Electron Microscope results. These results are clearly not necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented, but are merely pictures showing what is already described in great detail in the specification. Finally, the structures shown in the claims filed with the above-referenced application are also shown in the Detailed Description section of the original specification, not the Figures. Therefore, the Figures are not necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented.
- 8. The undersigned Attorney-of-Record respectfully requests that the Office of Petitions grant this petition by a) determining that the Figures are not necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented, b) entering or allow to be entered the attached Preliminary Amendment removing all references to the Figures, and c) entering a Filing Date for this application of **December 12, 2003**.
- 9. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Executed at Costa Mesa, California, this 19th day of August, 04.

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Respectfully submitted,

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